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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on April 8, 2004. Applicants enclose a check for \$180.00 for the accompanying Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and believe that no other fees are due. However, if a further fee is due, consider this a conditional petition therefor and authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 20-0531.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Argument** begin on page 4 of this paper.